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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53(b), transmitted herewith for filing **UNDER SMALL ENTITY STATUS** is the
patent application of

Inventor(s): Dr. Stephen SOLOMON of Baltimore, Maryland, U.S.A.

Title: "PERCUTANEOUS SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS AND METHODS USING THE SAME"

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Priority Claim (35 U.S.C. 119) is made, based upon:

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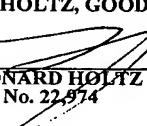
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 Declaration and Power of Attorney [] executed; [] unexecuted (supplied for information purposes)
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Independent Claims	<u>4</u>	<u>- 3</u>	= <u>1</u>	x \$42.00 = <u>\$ 42.00</u>
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